GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department – Allegation of corruption against Smt. Pilli Meghamala, formerly E.O. (PR&RD), Luxettipet (M), Adilabad district presently working as E.O.(PR&RD), Jagityal (M), Karimnagar district – Trapped by ACB officials on 19.04.2006 – Placed the Accused Officer on her defence before the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings (TDP) – Report submitted – Communicated – Representation received – Imposing a major penalty of stoppage of three [3] increments with cumulative effect under rule 9 (vi) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT [VIG.III-A] DEPARTMENT

<u>G.O.Rt.No</u>. 759

<u>Dated: 04.05.2012</u> <u>Read the followings:-</u>

- 1) From the Director General, ACB, Hyd. Rc.No.84/RCT-KAD/06, Dated:26.07.2006
- 2) Govt.Memo.No.7400/Vig.III-A/2006-3, Dated: 25.04.2007.
- 3) From the Chairman, TDP Enquiry report in TEC No.28 of 2009, Dated.27.10.2011.
- 4) Govt.Memo.No.7400/Vig.III-A/2006-6, Dated: 08.12.2011.
- 5) Representation of Smt. P. Meghamala, E.O. (PR&RD), MPP Jagityal of Karimnagar district, Dated: 25.01.2012.

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ORDER:-

Whereas, Smt. Pilli Meghamala, while working as Extension Officer (PR&RD), MPP Luxettipet Mandal of Adilabad district, was trapped by the Anti-Corruption Bureau officials on 19.04.2006, when she demanded and accepted the bribe amount of Rs.700/- from the complainant Sri M. Chinnaiah for doing official favour to deliver the Cheque of Rs.8,820/-, dated: 20.03.2006 pertains to the drainage repairs in Thimmapur Village sanctioned under EFC (Eleventh Finance Commission Funds) with her counter signature.

- 2) Whereas, Government have examined the final report of the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad and decided to place the Charged Officer Smt. P. Meghamala, former Extension Officer (PR&RD), MPP Luxettipet Mandal of Adilabad district on her defence before the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings (TDP) under Rule 3 of A.P. Civil Services (DTP) Rules, 1989 and accordingly entrusted the case to the TDP to inquire into the allegation of corruption in the reference 2nd read above.
- 3) And whereas, in the reference 3rd read above, after conducting inquiry, the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings (TDP) held that the charge is proved against the Charged Officer Smt. P. Meghamala, Extension Officer (PR&RD).
- 4) And whereas, in the reference 4th read above, while communicating a copy of the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings (TDP) report, Smt. P. Meghamala, Extension Officer (PR&RD) has been directed to submit her representation, if any, thereto within (15) days on the report, as required under Rule 6(2) (b) of A.P. Civil Service (DTP) Rules, 1989 read with rule 21 (4) of A.P. Civil Services (Classifications, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

- And whereas, the Charged Officer has submitted her representation in the 5) reference 5th read above, wherein she has stated that the trap is insignificant and purposeless when the complainant has no right to collect the cheque from Extension Officer (PR&RD) directly and the complainant has not made any written complaint, explaining the grievance for the proposed trap. Further, the DSP, Anti-Corruption Bureau has, obliged the complainant without measuring the intensity and depth of the proposed trap. The alleged trap money was not picked up from her personal possession and placed on top of the table, which was thrown on the table, and during which event, her fingers came in contact, ultimately resulted in phenolphthalein test as positive. She has no willful intension to tease or deny the right of any citizen who seek favour or otherwise, if it is part of her job chart. Unfortunately, the notorious Sarpanch who is in the habit of encashment of cheques has made a calculated attempt on her and some how managed to the take away the cheque and therefore, bribe has no relevance in this case and she has discharged her duty with in the purview of her job specification. The Cheque was not handed over to complainant and thereby, she could guard public funds, in right perspective manner. In the light of the above, she has requested to consider her representation dispassionately and do justice to her by dropping all further action in pursuance of the report of the Hon'ble Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings.
- 6) The Government, after careful examination of matter in detail, keeping in view the findings of the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings (TDP) and also the representation submitted by the Charged Officer on the TDP repot, have decided to impose a major penalty of stoppage of three (3) increments with cumulative effect against the Charged Officer Smt. P. Meghamala, former Extension Officer (PR&RD), Luxettipet (M), Adilabad district presently working as Extension Officer (PR&RD), MPP Jagityala, Karimnagar district under rule 9 (vi) of A.P. Civil Services (Classifications, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991. Accordingly, Government hereby impose a major penalty of stoppage of three (3) increments with cumulative effect against the Charged Officer Smt. P. Meghamala, former Extension Officer (PR&RD), Luxettipet (M), Adilabad district presently working as Extension Officer (PR&RD), MPP Jagityala, Karimnagar district.
- 7) The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Employment, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

C.R. BISWAL PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (PR)

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Smt. P. Meghamala, former Extension Officer (PR&RD), Luxettipet (M), Adilabad district presently working as Extension Officer (PR&RD), MPP Jagityala, Karimnagar district through the Commissioner, PR&RE, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj and Rural Employment, Hyderabad.

The Chief Executive Officer, ZPP Adilabad/Karimnagar.

Copy to:-

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, A.P.V.C., Hyderabad. SF/SC.

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